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SPRING IS AT HAND

J. R. RACE & CO.

Having received a large and well selected stock of

Boys', Youth's and Children's Suits,

At an UNPRECEDENTEDLY LOW PRICE, are prepared to give extra bargains. We have manufactured a Large Line of MEN'S SUITS, and we sell them at prices that DEFY COMPETITION.

OUR HAT DEPARTMENT IS COMPLETE!

Having just received the Latest Nobby Styles.

Our Neckwear and Cents' Furnishing Goods Department

only recall the Latest Novelties. Also

White and Fancy Shirts

IN ENDESS VARIETY.

Our Merchant Tailoring Department!

Continues to be an important factor in our business. We have received a large line of the Latest Styles Suitings, and are prepared to give you a PERFECT FITTING GARMENT at a living price. We are now making

BUSINESS SUITS AT THE LOW PRICE OF \$25.00 CASSIMERE PANTS FOR 5.00

And last, but not least, we would call the attention of engineers, firemen, brakemen, etc., to our NOBBY OVERSUITS, at the low price of \$1.75.

Examine our stock and prices, and be convinced that we mean what we say.

J. R. RACE & CO.

E. S. AUNGST & CO.



UNDERTAKERS

And Dealers in all kinds of

COFFINS

Metallic Burial Cases and Caskets.

Southwest Corner 4th Square

DECATUR, ILL.

Residence, No. 18 West William Street.

June 4, 1877

H. MUELLER & CO.,

DECATUR



Gas Fixtures!

IRON, LEAD AND BRASS PIPES AND FITTINGS, RUBBER VALVES AND CLOCKS.

PUMPS

RUBBER HOSE, BELTING AND PACKING, ALL KINDS OF MACHINE SUPPLIES, KNIVES, AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, AND ALL KINDS OF HARDWARE, REPAIRING, AND BLACKSMITHING, PLUMBING, STEAM AND GAS FITTING, ALL WORK WARRANTED.

Cor. E. Main and State Streets, Decatur, Illinois.

(Oct. 16, 1877 - 1878)

Assignee's Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

NOTICE is hereby given of my appointment as assignee of Little W. Ward, who has made a voluntary assignment to me, under the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments, and conferring jurisdiction thereon upon county courts.

W. F. COOK, Assignee.

Decatur, March 6, 1879 - 1880

FOR RENT.

A RARE CHANCE is offered to a

suitable tenant to rent a fine fruit and

grain farm of 43 acres, situated only three

miles from the city of Decatur, Illinois.

The farm has about 100 fruit-bearing trees, including apples, pears, cherries and

quinces; a fine old vineyard of over 2000 vines; a large variety of small fruits; several

acres of blackberry and raspberry; and

over two acres of fine wheat and corn.

The remainder of the farm suitable for any kind of cultivation. A good two-story brick house, stable, wood shed, etc.

Any person understanding this business can realize a fine income from this place. Terms reasonable.

J. LEFONGEE & CO.,

Decatur, Illinois.

MICHIGAN STOVE CO.,

22 Lake St., Chicago, Ill.

CHICAGO. BUFFALO.



BUY THE BEST

STOVES

TO ALL OTHERS

DETROIT, MICH.

IN POINT OF

Economy in Fuel, Durability, and Convenience.

Completeness of Design, and

Perfection of Construction.

Simplicity of Management, and

General Working Qualities.

OUR MOTTO!

THE BEST AND MOST RELIABLE

STOVES AND

RANGES

IN THE MARKET.

Time Tried and Fire Tested!

ACKNOWLEDGED FAVORITES.

EVERY STOVE RELIABLE,

AND PROVES A SUCCESS.

ALL GOODS FULLY WARRANTED.

FOR SALE EVERYWHERE BY FIRST-CLASS DEALERS.

And by MOREHOUSE & WELLS.

Edward Denz,

THE FASHIONABLE

Merchant Tailor!

Has just received a New Line of the LATEST

STYLES OF

Spring & Summer Goods

which he offers to sell and make up in FIRST-CLASS STYLE and for the lowest possible

prices ever offered in Decatur. All work warranted to fit. Give him a call.

No. 25 Merchant Street

IN CENTRAL BLOCK.

March 20, 1880

Chas. Peachblow and Early Rose

Potatoes, at

April 11 - 1881

Young Blood.

Far choice New York Buckwheat Flour

to be had at

Decatur, Ill.

Wm. Demarest's Reliable Patterns;

the instructive "What to Wear," 15 cts.;

and Portfolios, 15 cts.; just received by

LANE & SCROUSE.

March 20, 1880

HE WOULD DIE WITH BOOTS ON.

A few days ago a drummer from the

East was taking a nip in a saloon near

the Central Depot, and he put the pro-

prietor up to a new dodge. It was to

place on the hot stove what seemed to

be an ounce ball and cartridge, but the

cartridge, or shell, was, of course, empty.

Very few loungers would care to

remain in the room and wait for the

expected explosion, and once out doors

they would give room to cash customers.

The saloonist procured three or four

of the bombshells, and the trick was a

success from the start. When he had

roped in three or four friends to aid him,

they could clear the room of loafers in

one minute by the watch, and the fat on

their ribs grew in thickness.

Yesterday morning an ungainly looking

chap, who seemed to be frothing at

the mouth, and whose old overcoat was

too ragged to even tangle the cold,

dropped into the place in a quiet way,

and at once tried to surround the coal

stove. The saloonist asked him if he

didn't want a hot drink, and he replied:

"Oh, I guess not; I'll thaw out by the

fire after an hour or two."

Pretty soon a hint was given him that

he could buy a ten-cent cigar for five

cents, and that reminded him that he

had a clay pipe and some tobacco in his

pocket. The saloonist thereupon deter-

mined to scare him out, and while fixing

the fire he placed one of the deerskins

on the stove and leaped away, with the

exclamation that some fiend had con-

spired to assassinate him. The stranger

rose up, realized the peril, and called

out: "How long 'fore the darned thing

will shoot off?" "You haven't a minute

to live if you don't get out doors!"

was the answer, as the saloonist made a

dash for a rear room.

"Fete Adams," began the stranger, as

he shook off his old overcoat, "you

hain't got a tarnation thing to live for,

and you might as well go under now, when

coffins are cheap. Brace up, old boy,

and die with your boots on. Whoop!"

Picking up a stool he knocked the hot

water can off the stove at the first blow,

and he was whaling away at the beer

tables when the saloonist rushed in and

screamed out:

"Fly! fly, or you're a dead man!"

"Welcome! King of terrors!" whooped

Peter, as he tossed a table clear over the

barkeeper's head.

Three or four men came in to help

secure him, but before they had suc-

ceeded in jamming him down behind the

coal box they had bumps and bruises

enough to last them for a month.

"In the clothes-pin that never flies

from nothing nor nobody!" remarked

Peter, as they finally let him up and

sought to get \$20 damages.

He hadn't a red cent, and when he had

jumped through a back window and can-

tered down the alley his faded and rag-

ged overcoat alone remained to tell that

he had been there. -Detroit Free Press.

"But I won't!"

This is the way in which a Louisville

girl disposes of a young man, according

to the *Centinel*. She says:

"You have asked me pointedly if I

can marry you, and I have answered you

pointedly that I can. I can marry a

man who makes love to a different girl

every month. I can marry a man whose

main occupation seems to be to join the

gauntlet in front of churches and the-

atres, and comment audibly on the peo-

ple who are compelled to pass through

it. I can marry a man whose only

means of support is an aged father. I

can marry a man who boasts that any

girl can be won with the help of a good

B. STINE, THE BOSS CLOTHIER!



Youth's Clothing!

Can show you the most elegant assortment of

the best quality Young Men's Trade, of any House in the

City and

Not Surpassed in Style,

Workmanship, Trimmings,

and Price, by any House in the United States.

If you don't like it, examine yourself by look-

ing through the stores of our competitors, notice the

fit and general style of their goods, and then come around

and see ours, and we will leave it to your own judgment.

OUR SPRING STOCK!

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES COMPLETE!

Our Merchant Tailoring Department

A PERFECT SUCCESS.

As the many suits we are turning out turn in the

capital.

WILSON BROS. SHIRTS!

MADE TO ORDER AND IN STOCK.

We are not ashamed to mention Our Prices, but wish you to remember that

WE DEFY COMPETITION.

B. STINE, THE "BOSS CLOTHIER."

March 21, 1881

Immense Rush!

EVERYBODY ASTONISHED

At the EXTREMELY LOW PRICES at which Goods are selling at the

CHEAP STORE!

18 Merchant Street.

BEHOLD THE ARRAY.

Box Cakes Toilet Soap, 25c; Twelve Dozen Shirt Buttons, 25c; Two Dozen Button Cuffs, 25c; White Shirts, 25c; Four Dozen Collars, 25c; Table Cloth, per yard, 25c; Double Bed Sheet, 25c; Two Dozen Linen Shoe Laces, 25c; Paper Collars, per box, 25c; Two Dozen Handkerchiefs, 25c; Four Dozen Linen Collars, 25c; Napkins, per dozen, 25c; Towels, 25c; Soap, 25c; Neckties, 25c; Children's Button Cuffs, 25c; One Dozen Handkerchiefs, 25c; Paper Collars, 25c; Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c; Ladies' Hose, 25c; Deering's Sewing Machine, 25c; Laundry Soap, per bar, 25c; Laces, per yard, 25c; Tidy Cotton, 25c; Ladies' Linen Goggles, 25c; Umbrellas, 25c; Mattings, 25c; Card Board, per sheet, 25c.

As also a full and complete line of Hosiery, Buttons, Embroideries,

Laces, Veilings, Silk and Lace Ties, Silk and Cotton Flies, Zephyrs,

Ribbons, Ruchings, Gloves, Corsets, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishing

and Fancy Goods in general, equally low in price. Give us a call

CHEAP STORE,

18 Merchant Street, Decatur, Ill.

April 10, 1880

J. J. PEDDECORD, L. BURROWS, W. H. BOTTENHORN.

BANKING HOUSE

PEDDECORD, BURROWS & CO.,

JANUARY 1, 1879.

WE HAVE

MONEY TO LOAN

IN VARIOUS SUMS ON THE

Most Favorable Terms,

Secured by Mortgage on Real Estate.

We keep a supply of

GOVERNMENT BONDS!

On hand at all times, which we will sell at the

LOWEST MARKET RATES.

For a general Banking Business transacted, but no interest paid on deposits.

Jan. 7, 1880

CHAS. H. BOTTENHORN

[SUCCESSOR TO BARNES BROS.]

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS

Cor. Wood and Broadway,

Representing on hand a full line of Fancy and Staple Groceries,

LARD, BACON,

VEGETABLES, FLOUR,

GLASS, CHINA and WOODEN WARE,

AND A FULL LINE OF

TOBACCO & CIGARS.

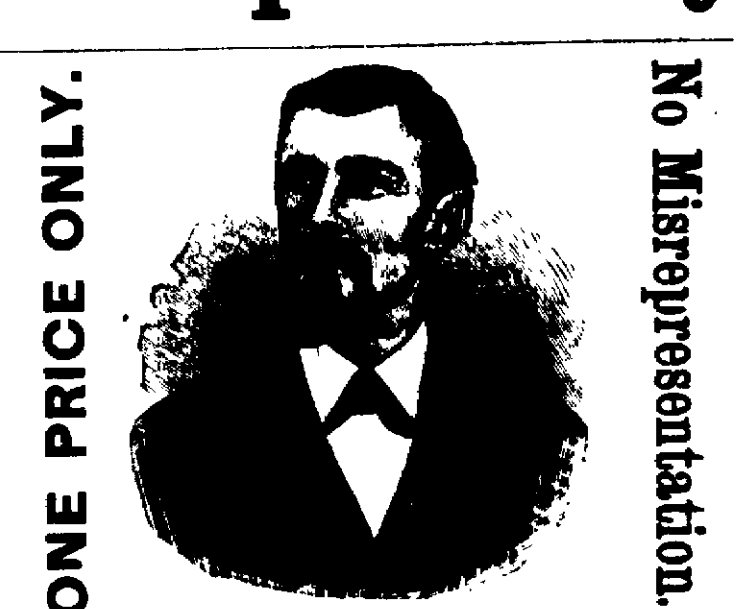
Prices guaranteed to compare favorably with those of any other house in the city.

Goods delivered free in all parts of the city. I respectfully solicit your patronage, feeling confident that I can make it to your interest to deal with me.

CHAS. E. BOTTENHORN.

April 10, 1879 - 1881.

Cheap Charley



THE "POOR MAN'S FRIEND."

THE ONLY RETAIL CLOTHING HOUSE IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS WHICH MANUFACTURES ITS OWN CLOTHING.

OPENING OF THE SPRING SEASON 1879.

Our Stock is now in Tip-Top Shape, and will be kept so till the End of the Season, by Weekly Fresh Arrivals from our Factory in Chicago.

Our increasing business is not owing to any particular circumstances or good fortune, but to constant attention and personal supervision of our customers' wants, and the cheap, sharp prices at which we sell our Goods.

IN ADDITION TO OUR LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF

GOODS FOR MEN'S WEAR!

WE SHALL ADD STILL GREATER ATTRACTIONS, MORE NUMEROUS BARGAINS, and CONTRAST BONA FIDE VALUES, TO SUPPLIES ANYTHING IN THE MARKET.

Call at Once and See OUR NEW STYLES, and Learn OUR NEW PRICES.

Which are really so low that we are nearly ashamed to mention them.

CHEAP CHARLEY.

KAUFMAN & BACHRACH, Decatur, Ill. Factory in Chicago.

March 11, 1881

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Southwest Corner

SOUTHWEST CORNER
Like ALL R.
H. a l u n e N o . 18 West
June 4 1961

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Gas Fix
IRON, LEAD AND RUBBER
TUNING BRASS VALVES
PUMP
REPAIR YOUR HOME, DRIVE OR
ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY
GIVES A NEW LIFE TO
ALL KINDS OF MACHINERY
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Oct 10, 1978 dly

Assignee

TATE OF ILLINOIS,
Macou county.

NATHAN E. is hereby giving notice that he has assigned to the undersigned a voluntary and the provisions of state assignments and consents to report county records.

MAY
In our March, 1978

FOR R

A BARE CHANCE

A suitable tenant to
own farm of 450 ac-
res, 10 minutes drive from the
Illinois. This farm has
trees, consisting of app-
les, pears, a fine old vine
a large variety of
as well as blackberry
over two acres of
chickens and the possi-
bilities for any kind of ex-
tensive brick house, stable
etc. Any person wishing to
realize a big income
reasonable inquiries to
J. L. E.

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